The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

Honorable Member of Congress,

I whole heartedly support this proposed merger. At present the Florida panhandle is considered 'rural' and local programming is not made available to us. In living along the gulf coast, it is extremely important to recieve local programming (news & weather) during hurricane threats. I fail to understand why we are precluded from recieving local programming anyway.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

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